Statewide Public Health Indicators for Performance Management Subcommittee

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Subcommittee Purpose:

The purpose of this subcommittee is to identify a set of statewide health indicators to measure some of the direct results and outcomes of the public health system in Washington State. This work is intended to address the following recommendation from the 2005 Assessment of Performance Overall System Report which states:

Recommendation:

- Develop a set of statewide local-level health indicators from a variety of sources; best practices in WA and other states as well as data in the current system (e.g., CD, EH, STDs, BRFSS). Assure that health indicators have a data dictionary with standard definitions including the source of the data.
- Pilot in LHJs of differing sizes and complexity. Get feedback and fine tune.
- Develop the capacity for DOH to provide a report to each LHJ that benchmarks their data to their peer group and statewide.
- Monitor state wide performance on these health indicators and report to local, state and community groups.

Reporting Relationship: The subcommittee will recommend the statewide set of health indicators to both the Performance Management and the Key Health Indicators Committees of the Public Health Improvement Partnership (PHIP) for approval.

Membership: The subcommittee includes individuals from state and local levels, from nursing, environmental health, assessment, administration, and from related public health organizations, such as WSALPHO. The subcommittee is chaired by Lyndia Vold and staffed by Mary Looker.

Frequency of Meetings:

The subcommittee will meet between 4-6 times, starting in April 2006. Members anticipating an absence from a meeting are expected to notify the chair or staff person of the absence prior to the meeting.